ABOUT THE BOARD

Board Members: The naturopathic physicians medical board consists of four physician members and three public members. All board members are appointed by the Governor.

Physician Members: A physician member is required to be a resident of the State of Arizona for at least five years immediately preceding the appointment. A physician member must hold a degree from a naturopathic school or college approved by the board. A physician member is required to have been engaged in the full time practice of naturopathic medicine for at least five years immediately preceding the appointment.

Public Members: Public members are required to be a resident of the State of Arizona for at least 5 years immediately preceding the appointment. A public member may not be connected in any manner with, of have any interest in a school of medicine, health care institution or any person practicing any form of healing or treatment of bodily or mental ailments.

Terms of Office: The terms of office for each member is five years. Members continue to hold office until the appointment and qualification of their successors. However, a member of the board may be removed from office if the governor finds the member was guilty of malfeasance, misfeasance or dishonorable conduct. The term of a board member automatically ends upon resignation or upon moving out of state, or, being out of state for a period of more than six months or more.

Liability: There shall be no monetary liability on the part of and no cause of action shall arise against the members of the board, the secretary-treasurer or permanent or temporary personnel of the board for any act done or proceeding undertaken or performed in good faith and in furtherance of the purposes of this chapter. *Specific Statute: A.R.S.32-1502*

Board Meetings and Election of Officers: The board is required to hold a regular meeting in January and July of each year. The board officers are elected at the January meeting, by a majority of the board members present at that meeting. The board Chair shall preside at all board meetings. Typically, the board meets on the second Thursday of every other month.

Attendance: If a member fails to attend three consecutive meetings, the board may recommend to the Governor's office that a member be removed from the board.

Specific Rule: R4-18-102